(*b*) How many years ago was the Rekalgere project completed?

(*c*) What amount of contribution has been collected since then?

(*d*) What amount has been spent for silt clearing purposes?

(*e*) What is the balance available out of the collections?

(*f*) If the entire collections have been spent and no balance is forthcoming, what was the amount spent each year and from what source and on what work?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—27. (*a*) About Rs. 718.

(*b*) Work was completed 35 years ago, in 1891 at a cost of Rs. 1,77,000.

(*c*) Information has been called for on this point and will be furnished on receipt.

(*d*) The amount spent on silt clearing exclusively cannot be given; but the amount spent on this work, inclusive of silt clearing and other repair items, is Rs. 31,271.

(*e*) Information has been called for on this point and will be furnished on receipt.

(*f*) The expenditure incurred every year is given below:—

	Rs.		Rs.
1895-1896 ..	1,482	1910-1911 ..	317
1896-1897 ..	3,115	1911-1912 ..	50
1897-1898 ..	415	1912-1913 ..	316
1898-1899 ..	119	1913-1914 ..	567
1899-1900 ..	674	1914-1915 ..	444
1900-1901 ..	631	1915-1916 ..	1,484
1901-1902 ..	170	1916-1917 ..	834
1902-1903 ..	1,599	1917-1918 ..	627
1903-1904 ..	1,001	1918-1919 ..	612
1904-1905 ..	143	1919-1920 ..	..
1905-1906 ..	..	1920-1921 ..	..
1906-1907 ..	4,692	1921-1922 ..	..
1907-1908 ..	..	1922-1923 ..	4,127
1908-1909 ..	..	1923-1924 ..	4,460
1909-1910 ..	3,392	Total ..	31,271

BY MR. B. N. MALLAPPA (Holalkere Taluk).—

Q.—28. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether darkhasts for lands are being expeditiously and satisfactorily disposed of as contemplated by Government?

(*b*) If so, how many darkhasts were received since 1st July 1925 up till now in each district, how many of them were disposed of, and how many are still pending and why?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, REVENUE DEPARTMENT.—

A.—28. (*a*) Government observe an appreciable improvement in the disposal of darkhasts.

(*b*) Including arrears pending disposal at the end of June 1925, 19,340 darkhasts were received up to date, of which 11,588 darkhasts have been disposed of, leaving 7,752 darkhasts pending. A good many of these darkhasts are for gomal and kharab lands, lands reserved as date groves, and for nirsaradi. The disposal of these darkhasts involves correspondence with other departments, and also sub-division of blocks, which necessarily take some time.

Supplementary Questions.

Mr. B. N. Mallappa.—

Districtwar particulars are not given in the reply given in section (*b*), but particulars for the whole State are given. It is seen from the answer given that two-thirds of the total number of darkhasts were disposed of and the large portion of the pending darkhasts are for gomal and kharab lands. Will Government be pleased to state how long they will take to dispose of these pending cases? The pendency of over 7,000 darkhasts is very large.

Dewan.—

They will be disposed of as soon as possible.

BY MESSRS. K. CHANNABASAPPA and BHISTAPPA (Davangere Taluk) and O. CHANNABASAPPA (Davangere Municipality).—

Q.—29. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Have the lands situated below the Sulekere Tank in the Channagiri Taluk been granted to Mr. Wilberforce?